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Title: DIAGNOSTIC MARKERS OF LIVER DYSFUNCTION

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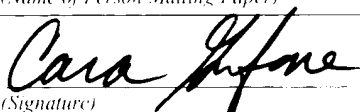
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed February 24, 2003, Applicant elects, with traverse, Groups I-II consisting of Claims 1-21 and 25-46, drawn to a method of detecting liver damage with either an antibody or an active site reagent, classified in class 435, subclasses 7.1 and 4.

Applicants further elect Group I, Claims 1-21 and 25-46 and the species of antibodies and liver damage due to viral infection.

| CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8 | |
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| I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on this date, August 15, 2003 , in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. | |
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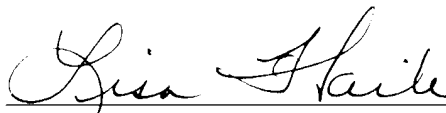
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Respectfully submitted,

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